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WEEKLY PBSUCCESS MEETING WITH DD/P

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CIA HISTORICAL REVIEW PROGRAM

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Present:

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I. Status and Progress Report

A. WH Progress Report

The WH progress report and LINCOLN weekly sitrep were not presented because of lack of time.

II. Review of action called for in previous meetings

A. Senator Fullbright's speech

It was reported that action had been taken toward forwarding a copy of the Fullbright speech to Ambassador Puerifoy.

B. Site for Sherwood

Galboud

Galboud noted various factors which presently precluded a firm assurance of projects ability to operate a radio station in pertinent Latin American countries. *Galboud* emphasized the necessity of such a station being under our control. It was concluded that Little Santa Fe should be pushed and should for planning purposes at least, be regarded not as an alternative/emergency station, but as the main station in the absence of firm alternatives. LINCOLN's recommendation as to leasing are to be pursued.

(ACTION:)

Galboud

C. Coffee Problem

Galboud

Galboud called attention to the report already given to to the effect that an American business group or the Chamber of Commerce had been requested to execute the basic line proposed in 's paper on this subject. *Kudov* reported his expecting confirmation within the next few days. *Galboud*

D. Establishment of Trade Union School by ORIT in Monterrey

Goodbourne

Dumbour by *Galboud* briefly noted that subject which had been brought up in the previous meeting had upon subsequent investigation turned out to be a seminar rather than a school as such. *Galboud* agreed that this reduced the immediate value of the

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endeavor to PBSUCCESS. It was, however, concluded that headquarters should continue to address itself to the problem of the establishment of such a school as a part of the agency's labor activities vis-a-vis Guatemala.

(ACTION: WH -

III. New Business

A. Seaborn
Goldman

Seaborn summarized the results of the most recent interrogations with regard to his own security violations and those observed by him in connection with the Black Flight to Managua. Kudrow on the subject of the disposal of Seaborn expressed concern as to Seaborn's continued cooperation. It was reported to Kudrow that WH is not at this moment in a position categorically to state that Seaborn would continue to cooperate toward his disposal but that the officer in charge of the interrogation was handling it with this objective in view. Seaborn advised that Seaborn's desire to be polygraphed indicated an improvement in spirits at this point. It was concluded that full attention would be given to the immediate and long term security problem which Seaborn presents. WH, upon completion of current interrogation and whatever medical treatment might be necessary, will endeavor to work out with Seaborn's cooperation a long term occupation for him in a secure and remote part of this country—possibly an engineering assignment in Alaska, as suggested by Seaborn. Seaborn In this connection it was understood that identity will be changed. It was then recommended that Seaborn should be removed from his current exposed condition in Washington to a safe area at the earliest possible moment. (ACTION:

B. Assignment of Kudrow observer to Caracas Conference
Kudrow Aschman

Seaborn advised the group that Seaborn raised the question of the assignment of an individual with the purpose of recommending action on Seaborn matters at Caracas and to serve as consultant to the appropriate members to the delegation in the event of unfriendly charges involving agency activities and in general as a consultant on the "Communism" phase of the conference. A number of possibilities processing assignment were discussed; it was concluded that Seaborn should prepare a memorandum for Seaborn on the assignment of Seaborn in this capacity. Seaborn (ACTION: Seaborn

C. Counter Measures for Caracas

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Nothing

In addition to current agency support given to in the preparation of background information for Caracas, was requested to draft a paper on suggestions he made during the course of the meeting having to do with the analysis of the forgery and documentation aspects of the white paper covering also recommended counter measures such as emphasis on Delgado's role and the unseemly activity of more than one member of the Consular and diplomatic services.
(ACTION: Nothing)

D. Attitude of Arbenz

The intentions of Arbenz in light of various reports that he might possibly be not irrevocably wedded to his present course of action were discussed.

The question was raised as to whether it might be useful to send an emissary to Arbenz for the purpose of returning his intentions and attitude or on the other hand for the purpose of provocation prior to Caracas. [] pointed out that Figueres had made such an attempt at an approach without success. It was concluded that insufficient information exists at this time on which to make a decision but that both LINCOLN and headquarters would continue to keep the matter in mind.

E. Inadequacy in Intelligence

[] pointed out that present intelligence available to PBSUCCESS was not adequate to the project needs. It was recognized by all that [] the former intelligence-net leader could not be for the present time depended on. The idea of an approach to [] to bring him closely into contact with the project in order to increase our intelligence take was discussed in general terms. It was concluded that the idea had sufficient validity to merit study and that LINCOLN's and [] views should be ascertained. [] suggested that [] might undertake such a mission himself. Nothing
(ACTION: WH; Cable to LINCOLN)

F. Anti-Communist Congress in Mexico

Nothing reflected that LINCOLN's plan in this regard had been pouched. [] made the point that such a Congress would be at least equally desirable in the event that Caracas develop less favorably than had been predicated at the time the Mexico operation was first proposed. [] reasoned that a disappointing Caracas could be deflected by such a Congress taking the line-- "the diplomats have again confused the situation--hear the people now in America in the WH."
(ACTION: WH review of plan)

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G. Action re Air and Ground Mission in Guatemala

The Chief of the Air Mission and the Chief of the Military Mission had been instructed by their superiors to pass on to Ambassador Puerifoy and to our Chief of Station all information available to them in the performance of their normal duties concerning Guatemala Army and Air officials with whom they were in contact. As far as we know, in spite of their instructions, neither Mission Chief has approached Ambassador Puerifoy. This was discussed verbally with the Ambassador on his recent visit to Washington and he intended not to await any longer the approach from the Chiefs of Mission.

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would like this followed up by a cable from us to our Chief of Station with the reminder and suggestion to the Ambassador that no information has so far been received and that he would appreciate his making the initial approach.

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